Good Tidings We Bring

Go paperless at PEC’s SmartHub, get $5 and a whole lot more!

Good tidings we bring to you and all PEC members this holiday season. Be sure to find PEC’s latest online solution called SmartHub at www.PeoplesElectric.coop.

Go paperless at the SmartHub for a $5 credit on next month’s electric bill, and save time and clutter by viewing your PEC bill and this newsletter online. Rather than receiving a paper statement each month in the mail, you’ll leave more paper for Santa and presents around the Christmas tree!

The ‘power’ to manage your PEC account is right at your fingertips.

Members with smartphones or tablet devices can download the SmartHub app from iTunes or the Android Marketplace. (Use search term “NISC SmartHub”.) Or perhaps a personal computer is your electronic tool of choice. If so, all you need is an Internet connection and a web browser.

Every step is easy. It’s convenient, and it’s absolutely free. Paperless billing is good for all PEC members, not just those who benefit directly from the convenience of online bill presentment. The savings add up when there’s no bill to print, postage to pay and newsletter to print, and when the co-op saves money, it benefits everyone.

To go paperless, simply login at PEC’s SmartHub. Click “Pay Your Bill Online” at www.PeoplesElectric.coop or access the SmartHub app via your mobile device as mentioned previously.

Once registered on SmartHub, you’ll be given the option to go paperless. You’ll receive a $5 credit, and earn entries into three prize drawings this month (certain restrictions apply).

Questions? Contact PEC’s Customer Service department at toll-free 1-877-456-3031 or (580) 332-3031 (Ada area).
A Family Flair for Leather

by Jennifer Boeck

It was seventh grade home economics class where Sammi Jo Beebe first listened to the purr of the sewing machine as its presser foot carried a piece of fabric over the machine’s feed dogs and the lightning-quick needle danced precisely, but it would be a teacher named Mrs. Reece at Porterville High School in Porterville, California, who would help to develop Sammi Jo’s natural sewing ability the most. Today, her creativity shines alongside her daughter Pecas’ own talent and together, they transform new creations in perfect harmony with their own extra delicate touch.

“Helping my mom and dad make pillows is what got me started. I helped them make lots and lots of pillows,” explained Mrs. Beebe.

Today, she has taken her parents’ pillow making hobby and developed her very own brand of professional leather designs in a wide variety of unique products, ranging from books, lamp shades, curtains, home decor, purses, and other fashion accessory items just to name a few. “After 17 years here on the ranch with my husband Shad and our three children, Logan, John and Pecas, I’m just now taking it serious,” added Mrs. Beebe.

Her two main roles as a mother and ranch wife come first. When she’s not alongside Shad managing Beebe Livestock and tending to an extensive yearling operation on their ranch and twelve other ranches leased within 45 miles of their home, you’ll most likely find Mrs. Beebe and 14 year old daughter Pecas secluded inside Rail Three Ranch, a majestic, log-themed 40’ x 60’ shop located on PEC lines south of Stratford, Oklahoma, on County Road 3420. It’s there they unleash their creativity making their very own, uniquely branded, one of a kind products with a classy leather flair.

“Her talent is phenomenal,” explained Ms. Billie Easterling, PEC member from Connerville and widow of longtime former Board of Trustee, Mr. Eugene Easterling, while she sat amongst the many beautiful purses, pillows and novelties surrounding her in the Rail Three Ranch shop. “She puts such love into it, and it’s so creative. I am so impressed with her talent,” said Ms. Easterling. “I have a purse that I only carry for special occasions, but I don’t want everyone to have a purse like mine. That’s how much I treasure it!”

Preparing for their next trip to the National Finals Rodeo trade show in Las Vegas, Nevada, the ladies of Rail Three Ranch, including their dear friend Maria Medina who works three to four days a week, are keeping their modern, heavy duty sewing machines and recently purchased electric clicker die cutting machine humming. “Without electricity, we couldn’t do what we do. We have to have it,” said Sammi Jo.

Those looking to secure their own uniquely special, leather-made products from Rail Three Ranch should visit them on Facebook, search term “Rail Three Ranch,” or by calling (580) 759-2294 in order to make an appointment.

“I have always created. I can never remember not creating something, and I’ve not seen any other designs like ours,” added Sammi Jo. “We take pride in helping our customers create their own personal flair with an extraordinary love for leather.
Calling all 11th grade students

Don’t miss the opportunity of a lifetime!

PEC’s 2014-2015 Youth Tour Contest is open to ALL 11th grade students enrolled in a school system located in one of the 11 counties served by PEC.

The contest consists of a 50 question fill in the blank test. Study materials can be found at www.peopleselectric.coop/youthtour or can be mailed upon request. The Youth Tour test will be administered at PEC’s headquarters located at 1600 North Country Club, Ada, Oklahoma. The test will be given on Monday, February 23, 2015, at 6:30 p.m. and Saturday, February 28, 2015, at 10:00 a.m. Students who wish to participate in this program should fill out the Youth Tour registration form at right or the online form that can be found on PEC’s website. Registration forms must be received by 5:00 p.m. on Friday, February 20, 2015.

Three winners will receive an all-expense-paid trip to Washington D.C. and will travel with students from across the state who won similar contests. 862401100

If you have a child or grandchild enrolled in a school system in one of the 11 counties served by PEC, please share this incredible opportunity with them. Should you have any questions about Youth Tour, please contact Tara Mullins by phone: (580) 272-1553 or by email: tara.mullins@peopleselectric.coop.

2014-2015 Youth Tour Contest Registration

Name: ________________________________

High School: _________________________

Mailing Address: Street __________________________

City __________________ State ________

Zip _____________________________

Home Phone: ________________________

Parent/Guardian Name: ________________

I will be taking the test on: (check one)

Mon., February 23 - 6:30 pm.

Sat., February 28 - 10:00 am.

Send registration form to:

Tara Mullins, PEC

P. O. Box 429, Ada, OK 74821-0429

Winter Storm Safety

Snow and ice storms are an inevitable part of the winter season. However, they can lead to downed power lines and outages. Remember the following tips to stay safe and warm should you find yourself in the dark after a severe winter event:

- Never touch a fallen power line, and assume all wires on the ground are electrically charged. Call PEC to report it immediately. Avoid contact with overhead lines during cleanup and other activities.
- In the event of an outage, an alternate heating source—such as a fireplace, propane space heater, or wood stove—may be used. Extreme caution should be taken.
- Plan to stay in an area of the home where the alternate heat source is located.
- Fuel- and wood-burning heating sources should be vented. Be sure to follow manufacturer's directions.
- Make sure carbon monoxide detectors and smoke detectors are working properly.
- Do not use a gas-powered oven for heating. A gas oven may go out or burn inefficiently, leading to carbon monoxide poisoning. 1093002403
- Do not use a gas or charcoal grill inside the home. Do not use charcoal briquettes in the fireplace.
- If you use a portable generator to power a heating source, be sure the generator is located outside your house for proper ventilation. Do not use a generator in an attached garage. Follow manufacturer’s directions for operating the generator.
- Never connect generators to power lines. The reverse flow of electricity can electrocute an unsuspecting utility worker.

Energy Efficiency Tip of the Month

Source: U.S. Dept. of Energy

Be merry and bright, but don’t let your holiday lights shine all night. Save money on your electric bill by using a manual timer plugged into an electrical outlet to automatically turn lights on and off as scheduled.
LIVESTOCK & PET
Angus Bulls, 8-12 months old, Angus business 55 years, same location. (580) 456-7241
Reg. Polled Hereford heifer, 18 months old, Remittall Online, 122L and PW Victor Boomer P606 genetics, breeding 48 years. (580) 332-2468
14-20 month old horned Hereford bulls. (580) 456-7830
AKC German Rottweiler pups, ready the week before Christmas, taking deposits, $800 firm. (580) 323-0456
3 year old Angus bull ready to work, $3000. (918) 429-3173

FARM & EQUIPMENT
4x6 JD string tied round bales, Bermuda, prairie grass mix, 1000 lb bale average, $45/bale, will load, 1 1/2 miles N of Ada. (580) 436-4352
Fresh bermuda/mixed square bale hay, barn kept/dry, $5 per bale. (817) 292-7020
430 International square wire baler, good condition. (580) 279-3748
300 gallon diesel gas tank, hose, filter & handle. (580) 320-4101
Red Ponderosa 4 horse trailer, gooseneck, $2800. (580) 421-9319
100 round bales of hay, 5x4 net wrapped, good quality. (580) 927-2774
Bermuda hay, small square bales. (405) 238-0393
16 ft. electric hay elevator, $300; hay loader, $295; 3 point Hydraulic log splitter, $595. (405) 221-0366
4x6 JD string tied round bales, Bermuda, prairie grass mix, 1000 lb/bale average, $45/bale, will load, 1.5 miles N of Ada. (580) 436-4352

MOBILE HOMES, RV’S, BOATS, & ATV’S
1999 CM Drover 3-horse slant trailer, large tack room, floor mats, spare, good condition, $700; night stand/drawer, $20. (580) 399-8866
Winchester Super XP, 12 gauge, max 4 camo, 26" barrel, 3 1/2 1/2 chamber, like new, $400. (405) 207-1661

WANT TO BUY
A Stonewall 1961 school yearbook; old railroad items. (580) 399-8866
3 door freezer, 3 door cooler, deli meat and sandwich cooler with fresh meat trays. (580) 332-8507
3 Fedders, 24,000 BTU window A/C, new, $400. (405) 596-3615

REAL ESTATE
PRICE REDUCED- 4 acres MOL, 2 bdrm. w/ loft area, 2 bath, new tile in kitchen & bathroom, hardwood floors in living room, shop building, Sulphur area, $175,000. (580) 399-2483
29 acres, one mile west of I-35, one mile north of Turner Falls, 2 bdrm., 2 bath, large pond with spring water, guest house. (817) 431-2746

FURNITURE & APPLIANCES
3 door fridge, $200; vintage fridge, $50; fridge, freezer, dryer, $150; washer & dryer, $150. (580) 399-0626
300 gallon diesel gas tank, hose, filter & handle. (580) 320-4101

AUTOMOTIVE
After market parts for Triumph Rocket 3 and Yamaha V-Max. Call after 5 pm. (580) 712-1997
2010 Ford Focus, 4 door, nice, $9,250 obo; net wrapped round bales, $35. (580) 272-4888
2004 PT Cruiser; baby carrier/car seat; TV stand on rollers; Mixmaster mixer with bowls; Charvel electric guitar. (580) 235-6922
1995 Ford 1 ton, 11 ft. bed, diesel engine, 5 speed, $4500. (405) 221-0366
1993 Buick Century, $1600; 20 t-post, in good shape, $25/each; RCA radio with cassette, works really good, $15. (580) 399-0626

OTHER
Polished granite fire pits and pavers for the outdoor area. (405) 484-7287
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Full size canopy bed w/pillow top mattress, $100; oval oak table w/6 chairs, $200; hutch & buffet w/leded glass, $75. (405) 238-0004
Baldwin piano, good condition, $700 obo. (405) 818-4815
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Account Number Winner
Congratulations to Glen Hull of Tishomingo and Joyce Guinn of Coalgate who found their account numbers in last month’s November newsletter. The find netted each of them a $5 credit on this month’s electric bill. The other numbers belonged to Billy Shiflett of Stratford, Troy Johnson of Wardville and Randall Gilley of Wynnewood. It’s easy to win. Just find your account number located somewhere in the newsletter, then call, write or come to PEC by the 12th of the month in which your number is published to claim your $5.

FREE Classified Ads for PEC Members!
Type or print your ad on the lines below and mail it in. Remember, we are limited on the amount of available space, so mail ads as soon as possible or email your ad to ads@peopleselectric.coop with name/account number.

Name: ____________________________________________ Phone No.: ( )___________
Acct. No.: ________________________

Since we are limited on the amount of available space, ads will be taken until the classified section is full. Ads received after the section is full will not be held for the next issue. They should be re-submitted. The number of ads published each month will vary according to availability of space and ad content. We reserve the right to delete words and edit ads if they are too long.